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### **RESPONSE TO 23 MARCH 2004 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

#### Dear Examiner Poe:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated 23 March 2004 Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

#### **SUMMARY OF NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

| Election/Restriction | Acknowledgment of Election           |
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| Specification        | Check for minor errors               |
| Claim 1-4 and 9-11   | 103(a) - Foster + Lodes              |
| Claims 5-8           | 103(a) Foster + Wismer er al + Lodes |

### **AMENDMENTS**

## In the Specification

Please insert the following paragraph before the BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION:

# **RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation of United States Patent Application Ser. No. 09/178,978 filed 26 October 1998.